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April 9, 1999

Mr. Scott E. Thomas, Chairman Federal Election Commission 99 East Street, NW Washington, DC 20473

RE: VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO A CANDIDATE

Dear Mr. Thomas:

The enclosed correspondence pertains to charges I filed with the FEC against Rick Lazio, Republican congressman from Suffolk County, NY's 2nd C.D. for illegal campaign contributions. Mr. Lazio was my opponent in the last congressional election in my district.

Our notice of violation was sent to the Office of the General Council of the FEC on September 21, 1998 (copy enclosed); on January 4, 1999 we sent a follow-up letter requesting knowledge of the status of the situation; and on February 17, 1999, we sent another follow up letter (copies enclosed).

To date, we have received no response from the General Council's office which is why we are now requesting your intervention.

It is a puzzlement to me that Mr. Lazio has clearly violated the law concerning campaign contributions and no apparent action has been taken by the FEC to date.

I would appreciate a response from your office.

Very truly yours.

Kenneth J. Herman

/dmh Enclosures



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February 17, 1999

Office of the General Council Federal Election Commission 99 East Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20473

RE: STATUS OF CHARGES FILED AGAINST RICK LAZIO, CONGRESSMAN, 2ND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, SUFFOLK COUNTY, NY

Gentlemen:

On January 4, 1999, the enclosed letter was mailed to you.

To date, we have had no reply.

We would appreciate the courtesy of a response at your earliest convenience.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Kenneth J. Herman

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KENNETH J. HERMAN State Chairman Ethics Committee

January 4, 1999

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Gentlemen:

On September 21, 1998, I notified your office of violations of campaign contributions (copy attached) against Rick Lazio during the past three election cycles amounting to \$209,982.

To date, we have had no response from your office relative to these charges.

Please advise the status of your investigation into these violations.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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State Chairman Ethics Committee 45 Dixon Avenue Amityville, New York 11701 Phone: 516-789-4646

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September 21, 1998

Office of the General Council Federal Election Commission 69 E. Streat, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20473

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Gentlemen:

I'm writing to inform you of violations of Federal Regulation 11CFR110, Section 110, Part 110.1(1) - copy enclosed and highlighted.

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 1993/1994 election cycle
 \$ 30,676

 1995/1996 election cycle
 106,917

 1997/1998 election cycle (as of 9/14/98)
 70,389

TOTAL ILLEGAL CONTRIBUTIONS TAKEN \$209,982

As evidence of these violations, enclosed are printouts of Congressmen Lazio's individual campaign donations (highlighted for your convenience) which were extracted from the FECInfo database on the internet.

The law pertaining to individual contribution limits was enacted in 1974: Amendment to the Federal Election Campaign-Act, Statute 441A.

Kenneth J. Herman

Independence Party Candidate 2nd C.D., Suffolk County, NY



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- 110.13 Candidate debates.
- 110.14 Contributions to and expenditures by delegates and delegate.

Authority: 2 U.S.C. 431(8), 431(9), 432(c)(2), 437d(a)(8), 438(a)(8), 441a, 441b, 441d, 441e, 441f, 441g and 441h.

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